

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION to honor the members of the 1954 Milan men's basketball team on the 50th anniversary of their legendary state championship.

*Whereas, The 1953 Milan Indians Men's Basketball Team advanced to the final four of the state competition before losing in the semi-finals to South Bend Central;*

*Whereas, With the nucleus of the 1953 team returning, the 1954 Milan Indians achieved a regular season record of 19 wins and 2 losses;*

*Whereas, Milan's success continued through sectionals, regionals, and semi-state, earning the team the opportunity to compete for the state title;*

*Whereas, In the championship game, Milan defeated Muncie Central on a famous final-second shot to win the state title;*

*Whereas, Sports Illustrated has named the 1954 Milan team one of the top twenty teams of the century. In addition, Indiana sports writers named this the #1 sports story in Indiana history. This event also provided the inspiration for the 1986 movie "Hoosiers"; and*

*Whereas, It is most fitting to honor the Miracle Men of Milan again, fifty years after their great feat was accomplished: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly  
of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly congratulates the members of the 1954 Milan Indians team and honors them on the 50th anniversary of this momentous occasion.

SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the members of the team, Milan '54, INC., and Mrs. Mary Lou Wood.